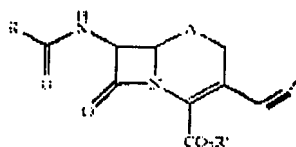


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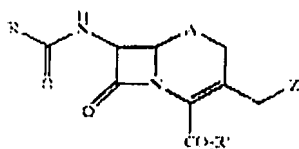
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**Claim 17. (Previously presented)** A compound having the formula:



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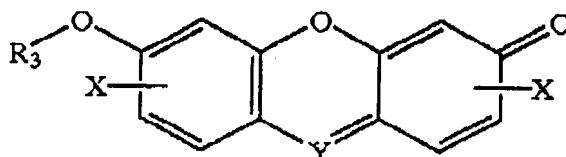
in which

R' is selected from the group consisting of H, alkyl, physiologically acceptable salt or metal, the ammonium cation, and --CHR<sub>2</sub>OCO(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>, in which

R<sub>2</sub> is selected from the group consisting of H, lower alkyl; deltabutyrolactonyl, methoxycarbonyloxymethyl, phenyl, methylsulphinylmethyl, β- morpholinoethyl, dialkylaminoethyl, and dialkylaminocarbonyloxymethyl;

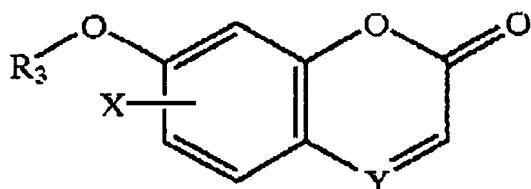
A is selected from the group consisting of O, SO, SO<sub>2</sub> and CH<sub>2</sub>; and

Z is selected from:

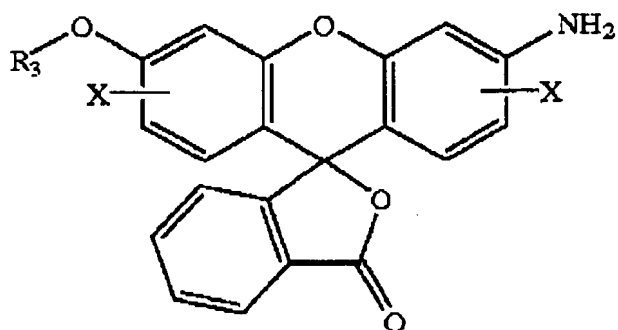


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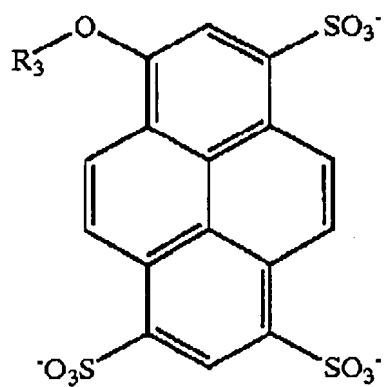
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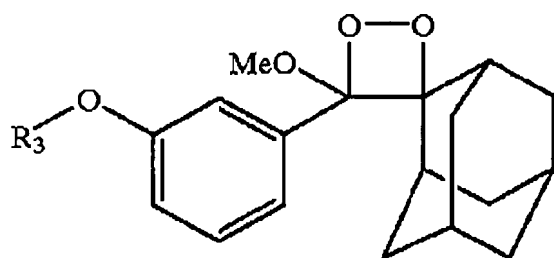
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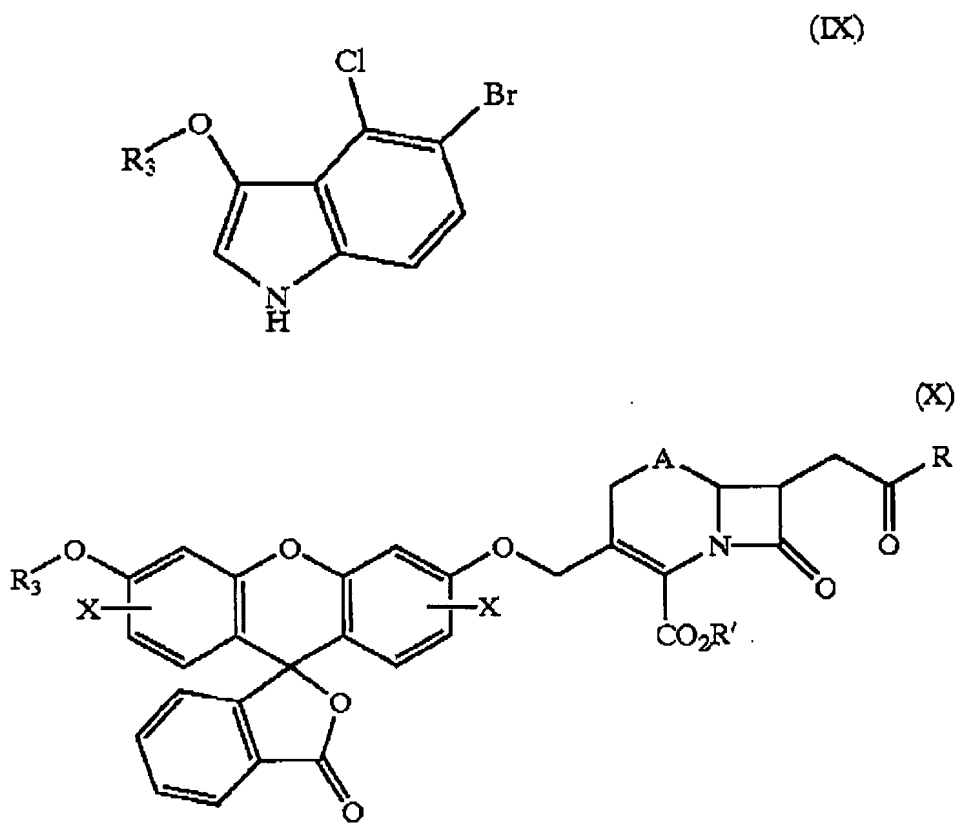


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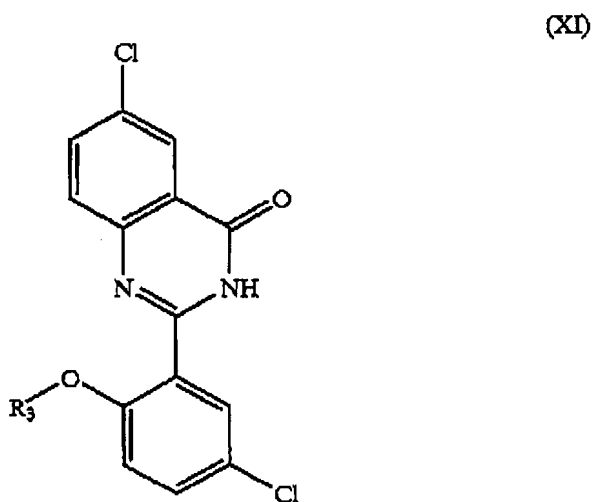


(VII)





and



wherein

$R_3$  is a linker;

X is H, F, Cl, Br, or  $CO_2R'$ ; and

